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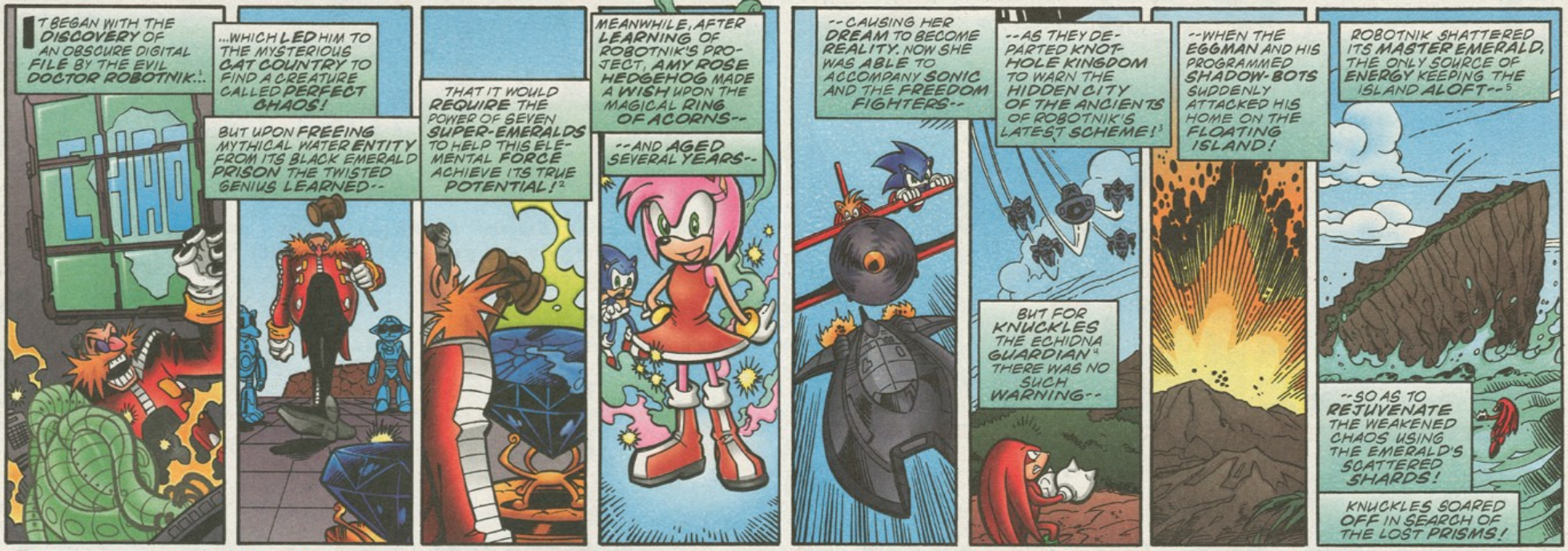
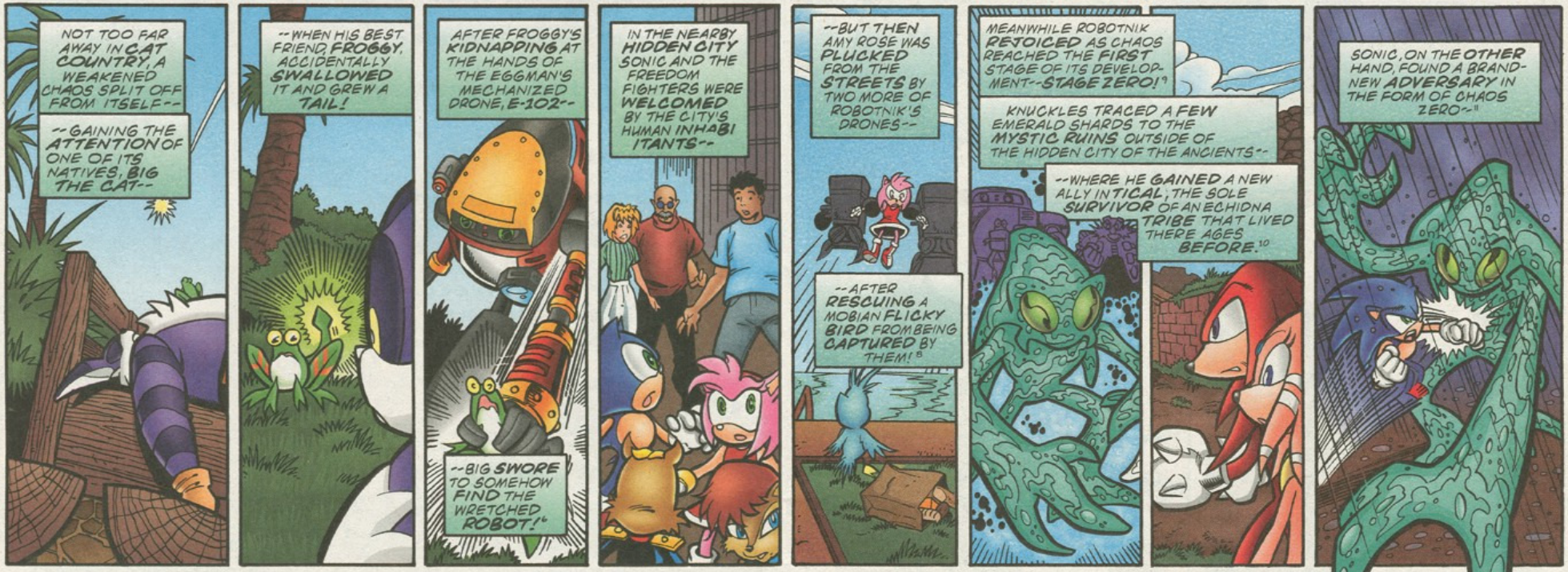
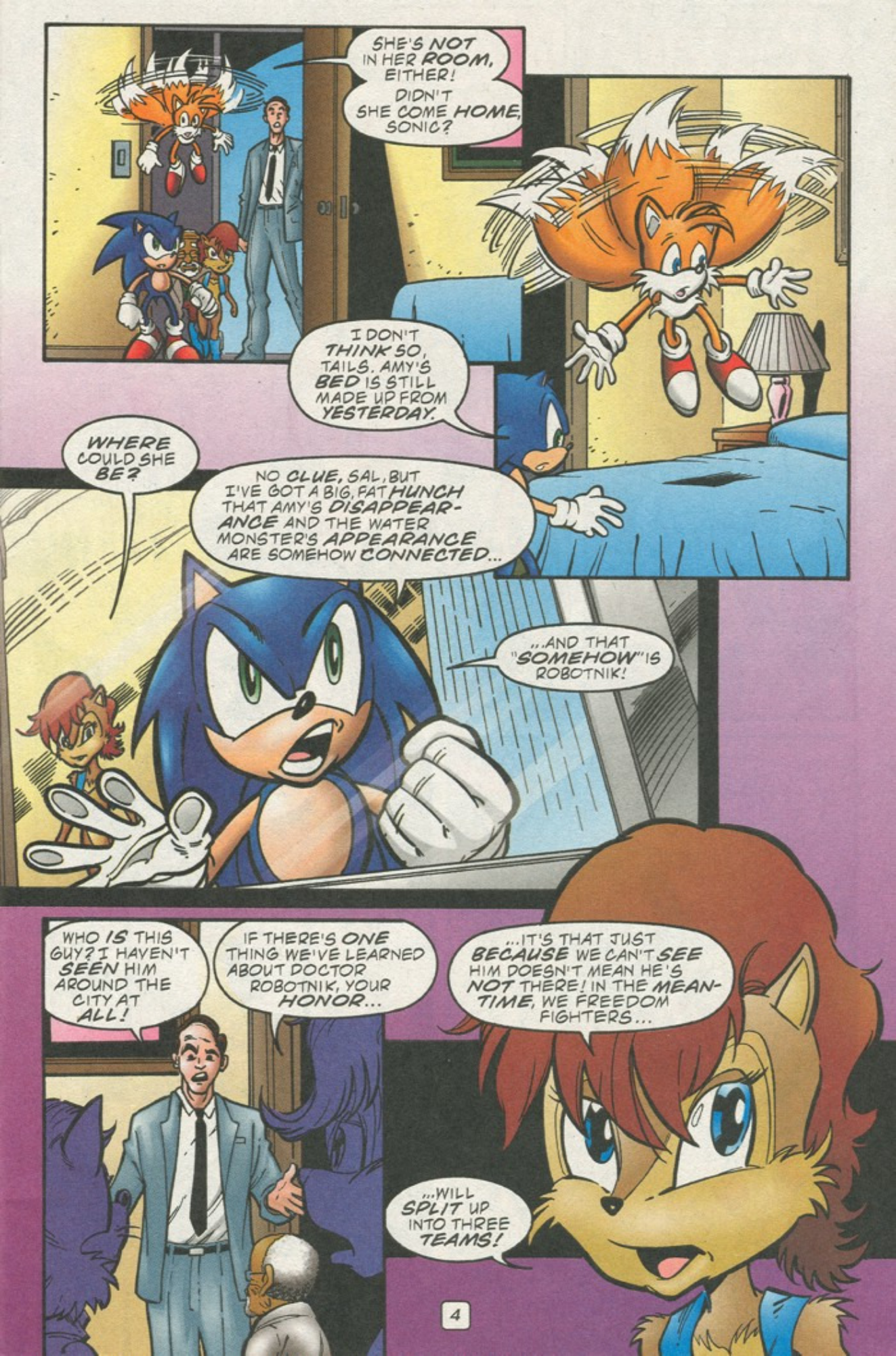
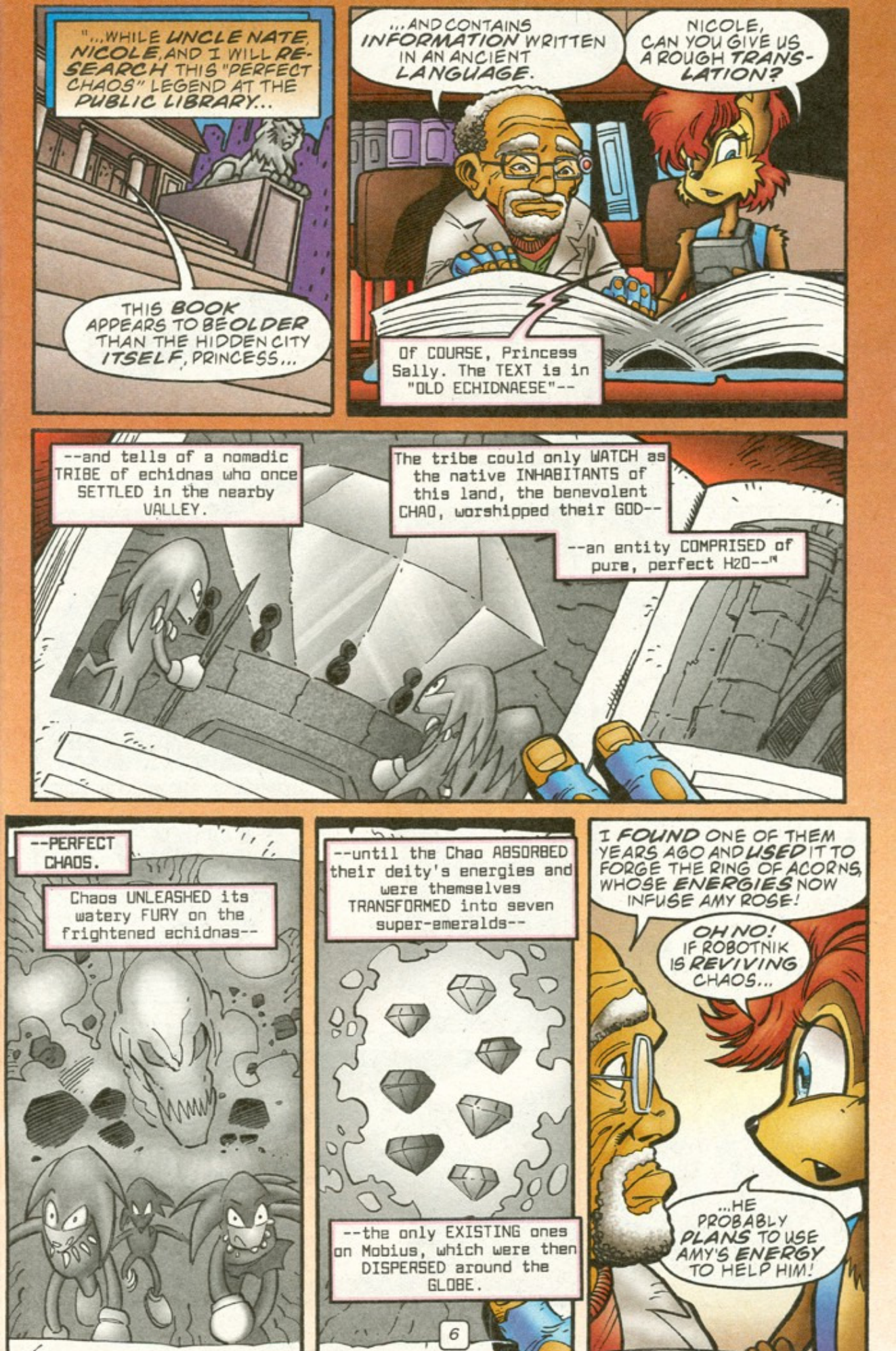

IT BEGAN WITH THE DISCOVERY OF AN OBSCURE DIGITAL FILE BY THE EVIL DOCTOR ROBOTNIK.[1]
...WHICH LED HIM TO THE MYSTERIOUS CAT COUNTRY TO FIND A CREATURE CALLED PERFECT CHAOS!
BUT UPON FREEING MYTHICAL WATER ENTITY FROM ITS BLACK EMERALD PRISON THE TWISTED GENIUS LEARNED--
THAT IT WOULD REQUIRE THE POWER OF SEVEN SUPER-EMERALDS TO HELP THIS ELEMENTAL FORCE ACHIEVE ITS TRUE POTENTIAL![2]
MEANWHILE, AFTER LEARNING OF ROBOTNIK'S PROJECT, AMY ROSE HEDGEHOG MADE A WISH UPON THE MAGICAL RING OF ACORNS--
--AND AGED SEVERAL YEARS--
--CAUSING HER DREAM TO BECOME REALITY. NOW SHE WAS ABLE TO ACCOMPANY SONIC AND THE FREEDOM FIGHTERS--
--AS THEY DEPARTED KNOTHOLE KINGDOM TO WARN THE HIDDEN CITY OF THE ANCIENTS OF ROBOTNIK'S LATEST SCHEME![3]
BUT FOR KNUCKLES THE ECHIDNA GUARDIAN[4] THERE WAS NO SUCH WARNING--
--WHEN THE EGGMAN AND HIS PROGRAMMED SHADOW-BOTS SUDDENLY ATTACKED HIS HOME ON THE FLOATING ISLAND!
ROBOTNIK SHATTERED ITS MASTER EMERALD, THE ONLY SOURCE OF ENERGY KEEPING THE ISLAND ALOFT--[5]
--SO AS TO REJUVENATE THE WEAKENED CHAOS USING THE EMERALD'S SCATTERED SHARDS!
KNUCKLES SOARED OFF IN SEARCH OF THE LOST PRISMS!

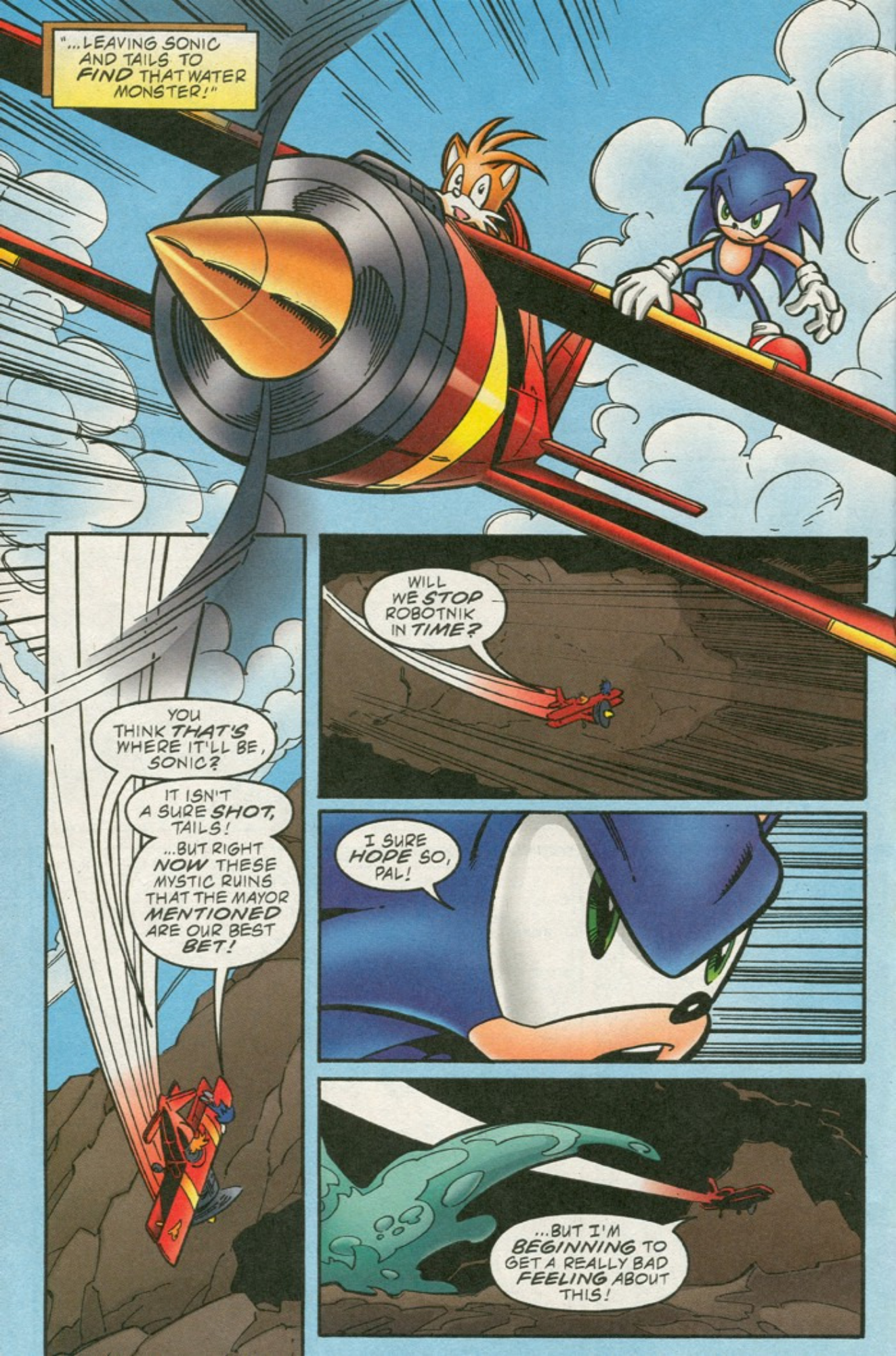

NOT TOO FAR AWAY IN CAT COUNTRY, A WEAKENED CHAOS SPLIT OFF FROM ITSELF--
--GAINING THE ATTENTION OF ONE OF ITS NATIVES, BIG THE CAT--
--WHEN HIS BEST FRIEND, FROGGY, ACCIDENTALLY SWALLOWED IT AND GREW A TAIL!
AFTER FROGGY'S KIDNAPPING AT THE HANDS OF THE EGGMAN'S MECHANIZED DRONE, E-102--
--BIG SWORE TO SOMEHOW FIND THE WRETCHED ROBOT![6]
IN THE NEARBY HIDDEN CITY SONIC AND THE FREEDOM FIGHTERS WERE WELCOMED BY THE CITY'S HUMAN INHABITANTS--
--BUT THEN AMY ROSE WAS PLUCKED FROM THE STREETS BY TWO MORE OF ROBOTNIK'S DRONES--
--AFTER RESCUING A MOBIAN FLICKY BIRD FROM BEING CAPTURED BY THEM![8]
MEANWHILE ROBOTNIK REJOICED AS CHAOS REACHED THE FIRST STAGE OF ITS DEVELOPMENT--STAGE ZERO![9]
KNUCKLES TRACED A FEW EMERALD SHARDS TO THE MYSTIC RUINS OUTSIDE OF THE HIDDEN CITY OF THE ANCIENTS--
--WHERE HE GAINED A NEW ALLY IN TICAL, THE SOLE SURVIVOR OF AN ECHIDNA TRIBE THAT LIVED THERE AGES BEFORE.[10]
SONIC, ON THE OTHER HAND, FOUND A BRAND-NEW ADVERSARY IN THE FORM OF CHAOS ZERO--[11]

--WHICH BRINGS US TO RIGHT NOW AT THE HIDDEN CITY'S STATION SQUARE HOTEL!
WOW, SONIC-- YOU TACKLED A REAL-LIVE WATER MONSTER?
TOTALLY! TOO BAD IT ESCAPED INTO THE SEWER![12]
YOU'VE DONE MORE THAN YOUR FAIR SHARE, SONIC--I EXTEND MY GRATITUDE ON BEHALF OF THE ENTIRE CITY.
NO PROBLEMO, MAYOR BULLYANI, BUT IF YOU DON'T MIND MY ASKING...DOES THIS SORT O' THING HAPPEN AROUND HERE ALL THE TIME?
NO...BUT IT SOUNDS LIKE AN OLD LEGEND GRANDPA USED TO SCARE ME WHEN I WAS A KID--
--INVOLVING A CREATURE CALLED "PERFECT CHAOS". IT'S GOT SOMETHING TO DO WITH THE ANCIENT RUINS OUTSIDE THE--
SORRY TO INTERRUPT BUT HAS ANYONE SEEN AMY ROSE?
NOPE!
NOT SINCE YESTERDAY AFTER-NOON![13]


SHE'S NOT IN HER ROOM, EITHER!
DIDN'T SHE COME HOME, SONIC?
I DON'T THINK SO, TAILS. AMY'S BED IS STILL MADE UP FROM YESTERDAY.
WHERE COULD SHE BE?
NO CLUE, SAL, BUT I'VE GOT A BIG, FAT HUNCH THAT AMY'S DISAPPEAR-ANCE AND THE WATER MONSTER'S APPEARANCE ARE SOMEHOW CONNECTED...
...AND THAT "SOMEHOW" IS ROBOTNIK!
WHO IS THIS GUY? I HAVEN'T SEEN HIM AROUND THE CITY AT ALL!
IF THERE'S ONE THING WE'VE LEARNED ABOUT DOCTOR ROBOTNIK, YOUR HONOR...
...IT'S THAT JUST BECAUSE WE CAN'T SEE HIM DOESN'T MEAN HE'S NOT THERE! IN THE MEAN-TIME, WE FREEDOM FIGHTERS...
...WILL SPLIT UP INTO THREE TEAMS!

"ANTOINE... BUNNIE... YOU LOOK FOR AMY..."
AMY ROSE ZEE HEDGEHOG-- WHEREVER ARE YOU?
AYYYYY-MEEEE!!
BUNNIE, EET EEZ IMPOSSIBLE! I CAN SEE NOT ONE THING!
YER ABSOLUTELY RIGHT! THESE HERE OVAHLAND-UHS™ ARE A MIGHT ON THE TALL SIDE! HMM...
EEP! SACRE FUR! WHAT ARE YOU DOING MA' CHERE?!
GETTIN' US WHUT AH LIKE TO CALL A "PENTHOUSE VIEW", SUGAH-'TOINE!
CAN Y'HANDLE IT?
O-O-OF COURSE... I AM... NEVER... FEELING ...MORE FINE... IN MY LIFE...
!
I AM SEEING NOT ONE THING!
?!
THEN KEEP ON LOOKIN'!


"...WHILE UNCLE NATE, NICOLE AND I WILL RESEARCH THIS "PERFECT CHAOS" LEGEND AT THE PUBLIC LIBRARY...
THIS BOOK APPEARS TO BE OLDER THAN THE HIDDEN CITY ITSELF, PRINCESS...
...AND CONTAINS INFORMATION WRITTEN IN AN ANCIENT LANGUAGE.
NICOLE, CAN YOU GIVE US A ROUGH TRANSLATION?
Of COURSE, Princess Sally. The TEXT is in "OLD ECHIDNAESE"--
--and tells of a nomadic TRIBE of echidnas who once SETTLED in the nearby VALLEY.
The tribe could only WATCH as the native INHABITANTS of this land, the benevolent CHAO, worshipped their GOD--
--an entity COMPRISED of pure, perfect H2O--"
--PERFECT CHAOS.
Chaos UNLEASHED its watery FURY on the frightened echidnas--
--until the Chao ABSORBED their deity's energies and were themselves TRANSFORMED into seven super-emeralds--
--the only EXISTING ones on Mobius, which were then DISPERSED around the GLOBE.
I FOUND ONE OF THEM YEARS AGO AND USED IT TO FORGE THE RING OF ACORNS, WHOSE ENERGIES NOW INFUSE AMY ROSE!
OH NO! IF ROBOTNIK IS REVIVING CHAOS...
...HE PROBABLY PLANS TO USE AMY'S ENERGY TO HELP HIM!


"...LEAVING SONIC AND TAILS TO FIND THAT WATER MONSTER!"
WILL WE STOP ROBOTNIK IN TIME?
YOU THINK THAT'S WHERE IT'LL BE, SONIC?
IT ISN'T A SURE SHOT, TAILS! ...BUT RIGHT NOW THESE MYSTIC RUINS THAT THE MAYOR MENTIONED ARE OUR BEST BET!
I SURE HOPE SO, PAL!
...BUT I'M BEGINNING TO GET A REALLY BAD FEELING ABOUT THIS!

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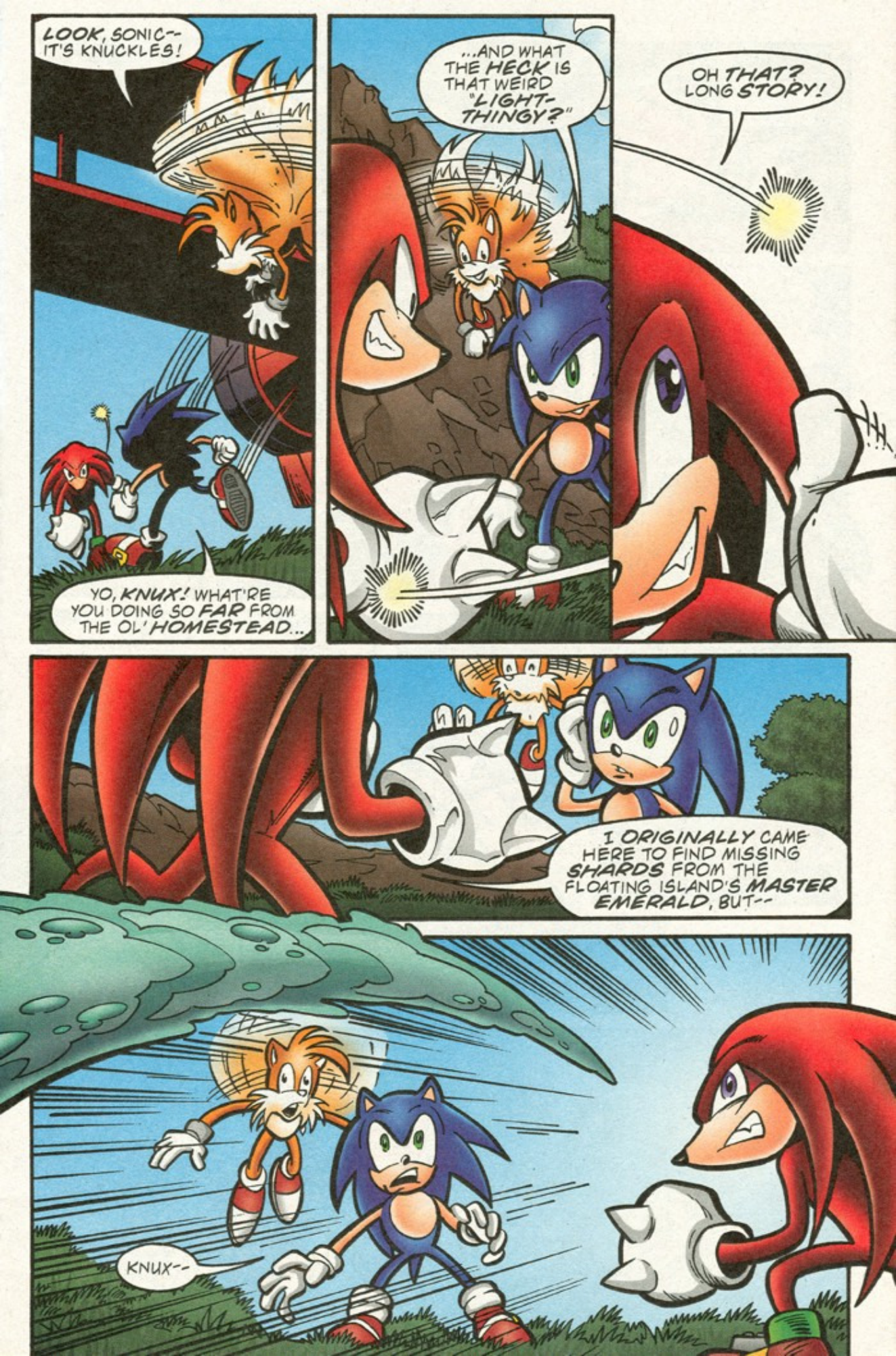
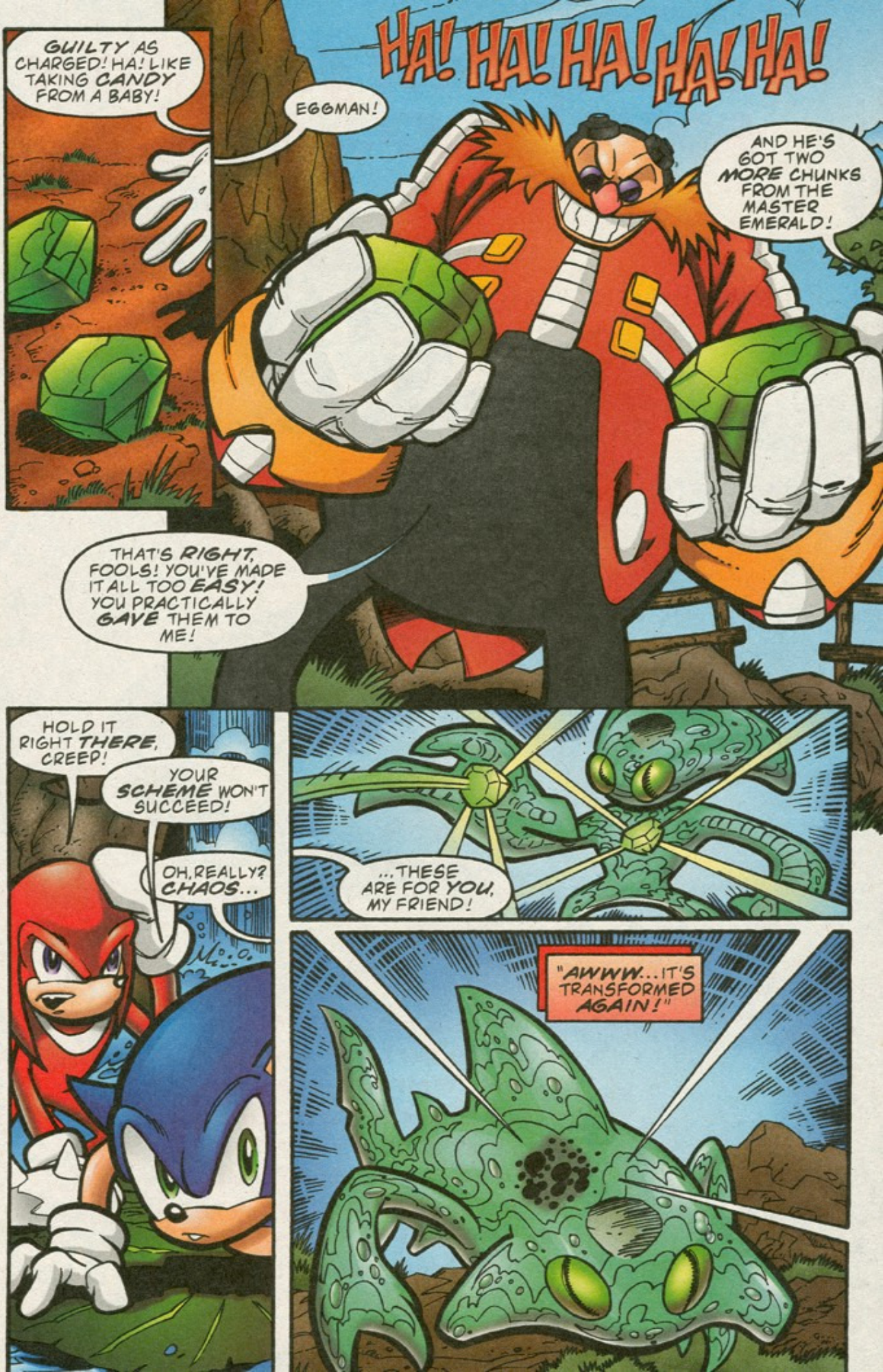
CHAPTER 2
SONIC AND TAILS?!
"HERE...
"...NOW?!"


LOOK, SONIC-- IT'S KNUCKLES!
YO, KNUX! WHAT'RE YOU DOING SO FAR FROM THE OL' HOMESTEAD...
...AND WHAT THE HECK IS THAT WEIRD "LIGHT-THINGY?"
OH THAT? LONG STORY!
I ORIGINALLY CAME HERE TO FIND MISSING SHARDS FROM THE FLOATING ISLAND'S MASTER EMERALD, BUT--
KNUX--

"--LOOK OUT!"
SP-LOSH
WHAT ON MOBIUS IS IT?
...
OH, NO--
!
--ISN'T THIS THE SAME MONSTER I SAW LAST NIGHT?!
?
WHY ARE YOU FIGHTING US?
NOT SURE IF IT UNDER-STANDS. DON'T THINK IT TALKS EITHER, BUT THEN AGAIN ACTIONS...

...SPEAK LOUDER THAN WORDS!
...
SPLU-
WHOA!
BOOSH
UNGHH!
KLOK
...
WOW! THE MONSTER ABSORBED BOTH OF KNUCKLES' EMERALDS AND--
--WAIT A SEC!

THE GREEN ROCKS IN THIS FIELD WHERE WE JUST LANDED...
...LOOK LIKE MORE PIECES FROM THE MASTER EMERALD!
BETTER GRAB HOLD OF THEM...
...
...BEFORE THE CREATURE DOES! THEIR ENERGIES SEEM TO BE CHANGING IT... MAKING IT GROW...
"...LARGER!"
UGHH!
THOOM
WHUUUUFF!
GOTTA HURRY UP AND...
SHRAK!
WHA--?! UH-OH! SOMETHING TRIPPED ME!

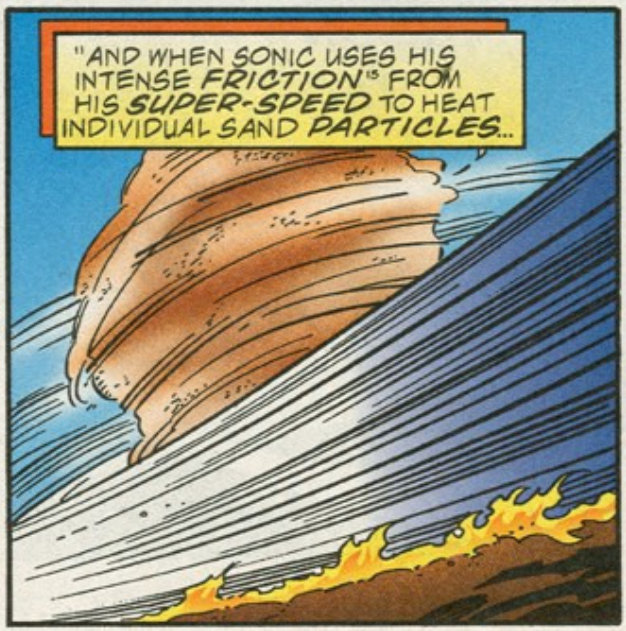

GUILTY AS CHARGED! HA! LIKE TAKING CANDY FROM A BABY!
EGGMAN!
HA! HA! HA! HA! HA!
AND HE'S GOT TWO MORE CHUNKS FROM THE MASTER EMERALD!
THAT'S RIGHT, FOOLS! YOU'VE MADE IT ALL TOO EASY! YOU PRACTICALLY GAVE THEM TO ME!
HOLD IT RIGHT THERE, CREEP!
YOUR SCHEME WON'T SUCCEED!
OH, REALLY? CHAOS...
...THESE ARE FOR YOU, MY FRIEND!
"AWWW... IT'S TRANSFORMED AGAIN!"

SONIC ADVENTURE™
CHAPTER 3
MAN! NO ONE EVER CUTS US ANY SLACK!
NOW, MY PET--
--SIC 'EM!

HEADS UP, CREW!
TO REALLY HARM US...
SPLOOSH
...YOUR PAL HAS TO MOVE WAY FASTER THAN THAT, EGGMAN!
CHAOS' STRENGTH INCREASES EVERY TIME IT'S FED A PIECE OF THE MASTER EMERALD!
AFTER ABSORBING SEVEN IN ALL, THE BEAST WILL BE INVINCIBLE AND MINE TO COMMAND!
TOGETHER WE'LL DESTROY THE HIDDEN CITY OF THE ANCIENTS, AND ON ITS RUINS I'LL BUILD A NEW--
--ROBOTNIKLAND!

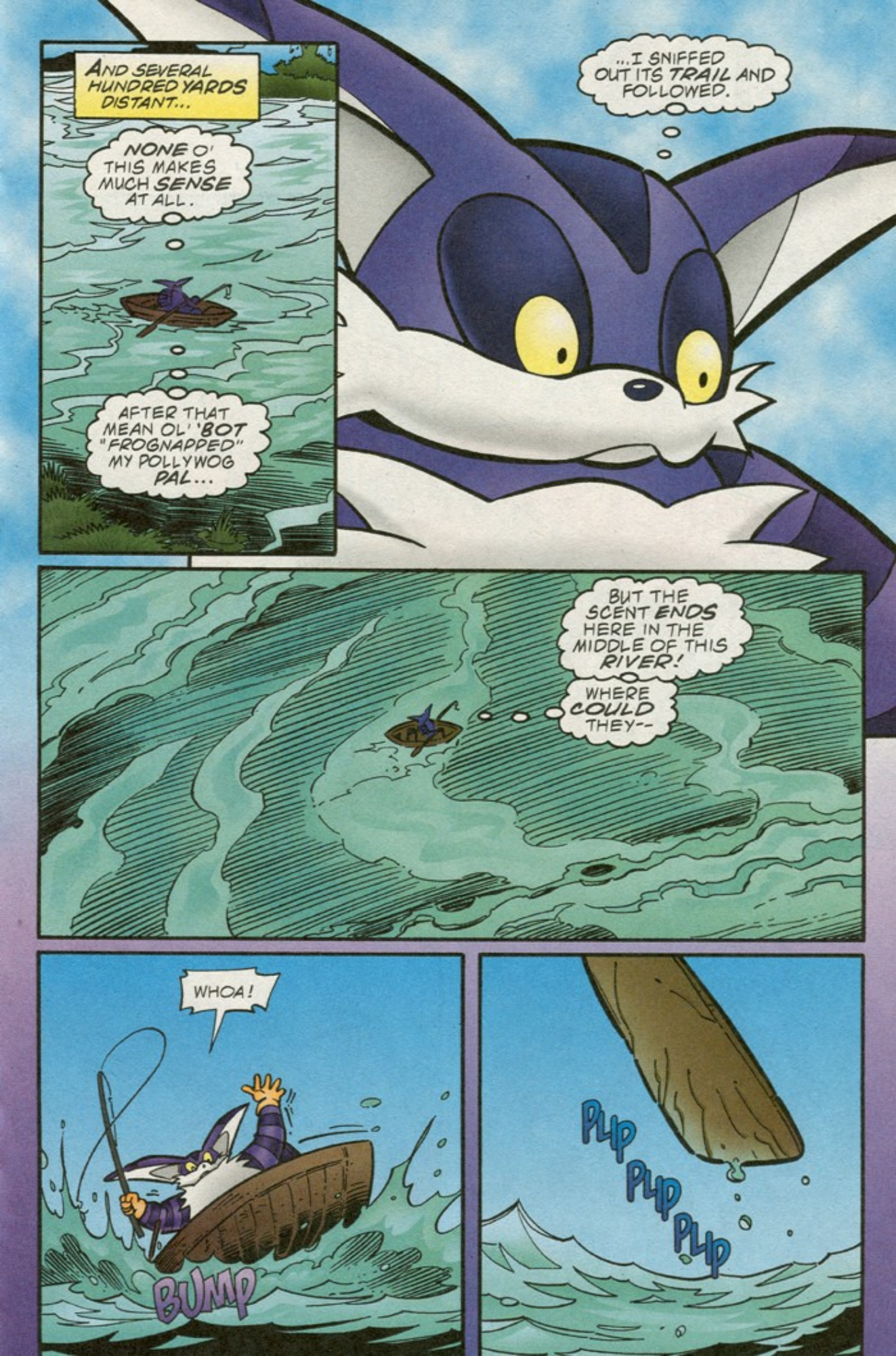
SONIC! KNUCKLES! WE CAN'T LET HIM GET AWAY WITH THIS, CAN WE?
NO WAY, TAILS!
LET'S DO IT TO IT!
SK-THOOM

HERE'S MUD IN YOUR EYE...
...OR IN THIS CASE, SAND!
FWOOSH

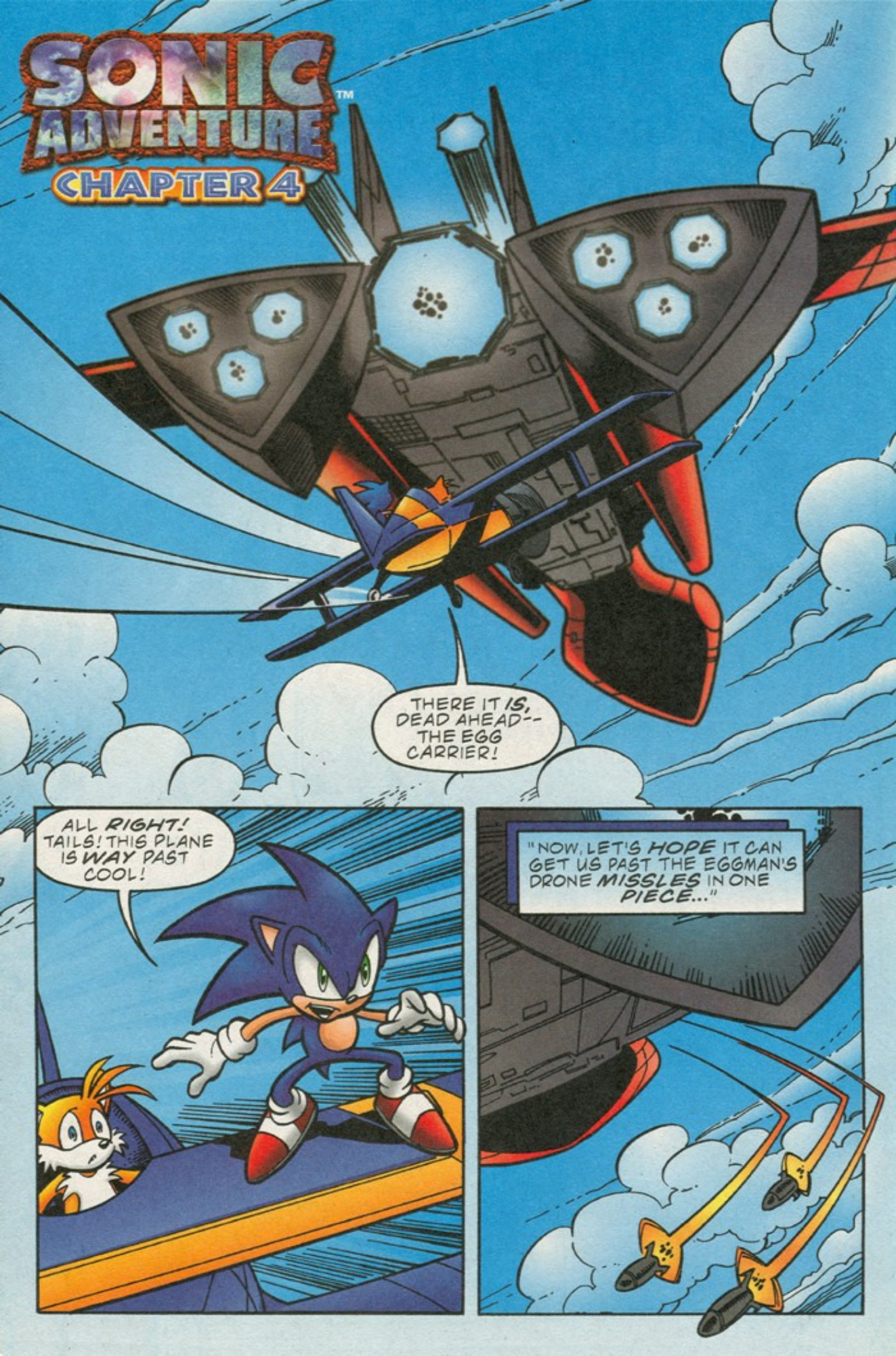

"AND WHEN SONIC USES HIS INTENSE FRICTION[15] FROM HIS SUPER-SPEED TO HEAT INDIVIDUAL SAND PARTICLES...

"...HE'LL CREATE A GLASS PRISON FOR CHAOS!"

IN YOUR FACE, EGGMAN!
NO! MY PERFECTLY EXECUTED PLAN IS--
SPLOOSH
SPLASH
SPLISH
UH-OH! LOOK! CHAOS IS SPLASHING AROUND SO HARD...
...IT'S BREAKING THE GLASS!
KER-RAKK!
ADIEU... UNTIL WE MEET AGAIN, MY "FRIENDS!" HA! HA! HA!
HEY! HE'S GETTING AWAY!
YOU GUYS GO! I'VE GOT SOME UNFINISHED BUSINESS TO TAKE CARE OF!


AND SEVERAL HUNDRED YARDS DISTANT...
NONE O' THIS MAKES MUCH SENSE AT ALL.
AFTER THAT MEAN OL' 'BOT "FROGNAPPED" MY POLLYWOG PAL...
...I SNIFFED OUT ITS TRAIL AND FOLLOWED.
BUT THE SCENT ENDS HERE IN THE MIDDLE OF THIS RIVER!
WHERE COULD THEY--
WHOA!
BUMP
PLIP
PLIP
PLIP

--BE?
YIKES!!
FW-BOOOOSH
BEHOLD MY FLYING MASTERPIECE -- THE EGG CARRIER!
IT'S THE LARGEST VESSEL ON THE PLANET, YET PALES IN COMPARISON TO THE POWER OF CHAOS!
CHAOS?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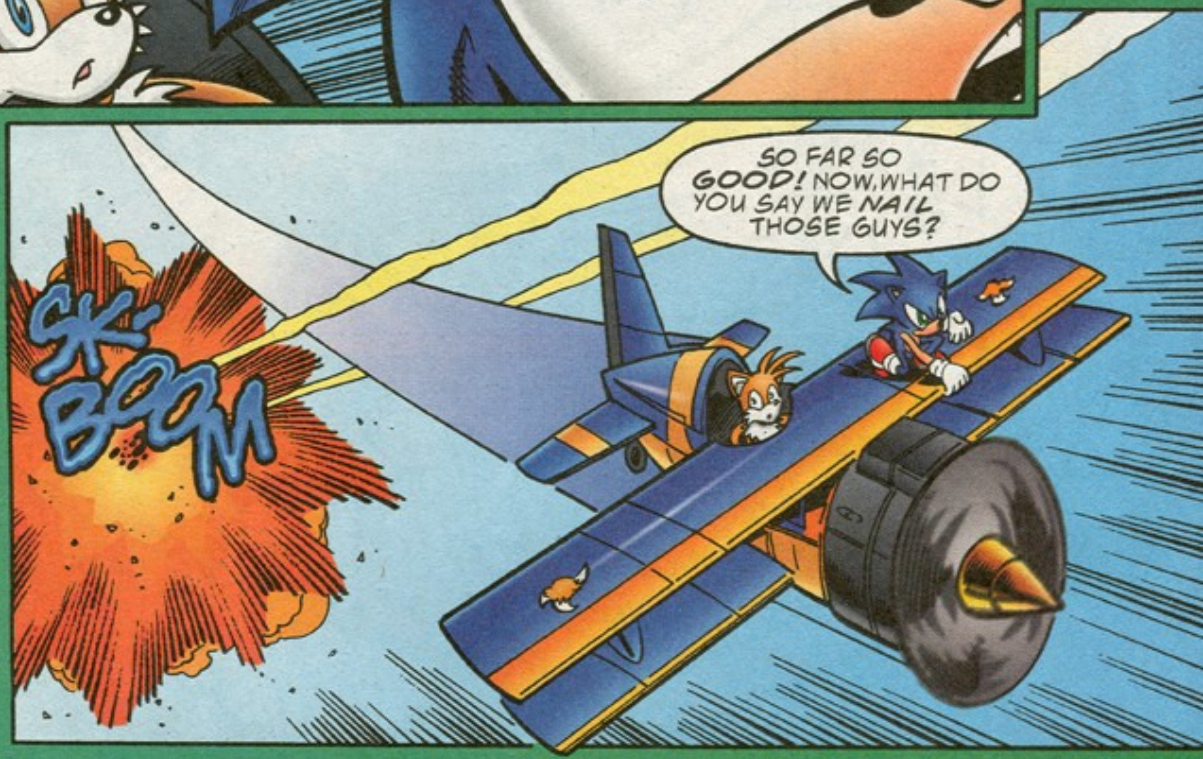
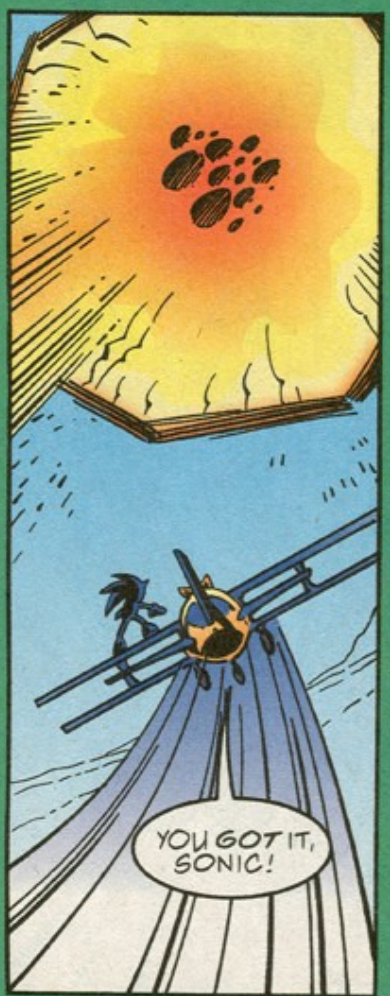
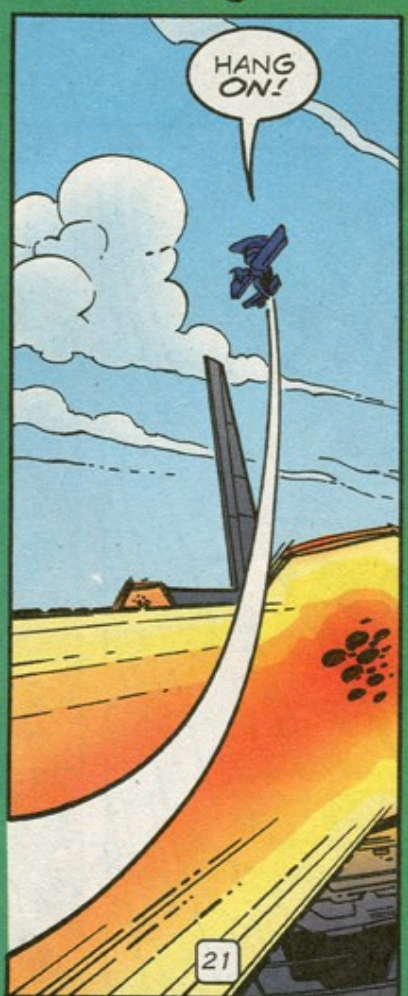
CHAPTER 4
THERE IT IS, DEAD AHEAD-- THE EGG CARRIER!
ALL RIGHT! TAILS! THIS PLANE IS WAY PAST COOL!
"NOW, LET'S HOPE IT CAN GET US PAST THE EGGMAN'S DRONE MISSLES IN ONE PIECE..."

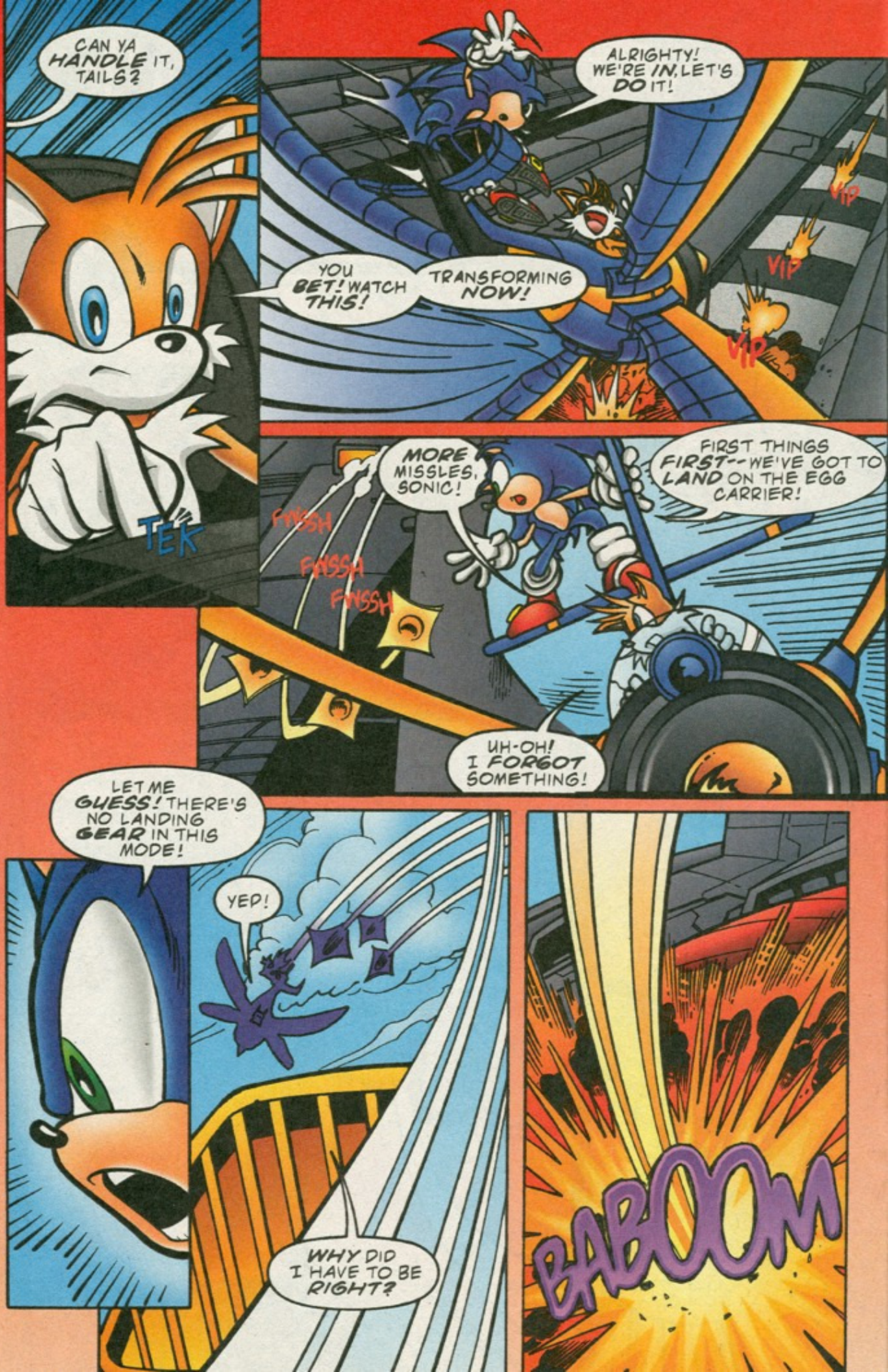
...OR ELSE THE HIDDEN CITY'S TOAST!


SO FAR SO GOOD! NOW, WHAT DO YOU SAY WE NAIL THOSE GUYS?
SK-BOOM

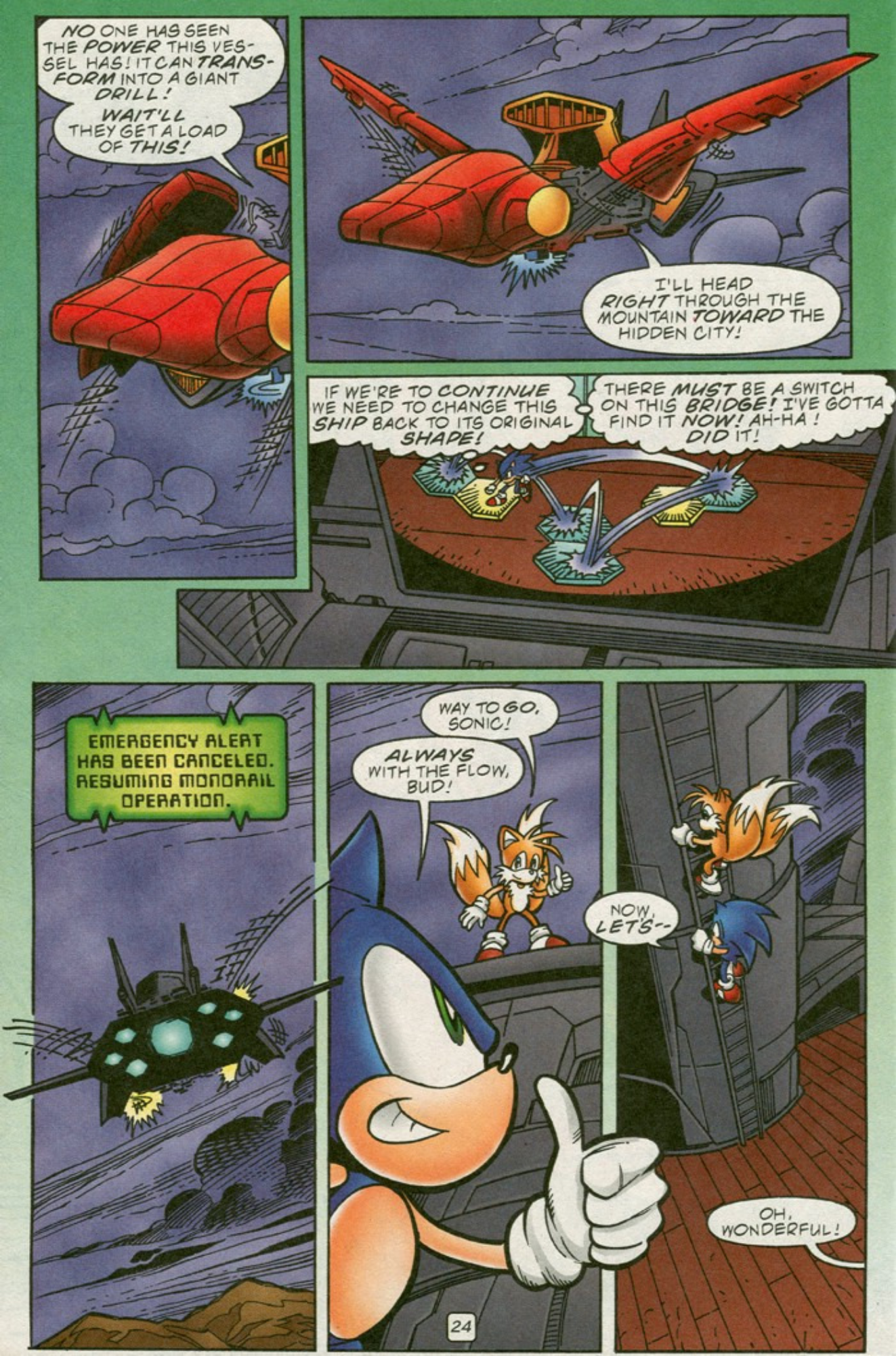

YOU GOT IT, SONIC!


HANG ON!

UH-OH! I SEE TROUBLE BELOW!
K-CHAK
K-CHAK


CAN YA HANDLE IT, TAILS?
TEK
ALRIGHTY! WE'RE IN, LET'S DO IT!
YOU BET! WATCH THIS!
TRANSFORMING NOW!
VIP
VIP
VIP
MORE MISSLES, SONIC!
FWSSH
FWSSH
FWSSH
FIRST THINGS FIRST--WE'VE GOT TO LAND ON THE EGG CARRIER!
UH-OH! I FORGOT SOMETHING!
LET ME GUESS! THERE'S NO LANDING GEAR IN THIS MODE!
YEP!
WHY DID I HAVE TO BE RIGHT?
BABOOM

MEANWHILE...
THIS MISSION IS A HECKUVA LOT MORE COMPLICATED THAN I THOUGHT IT'D BE!
I HAD A SNEAKY FEELING THAT THE EGGMAN WAS BEHIND THE FLOATING ISLAND'S FALL FROM THE SKY...
WHAT I DIDN'T KNOW WAS THAT HE'D BE USING BITS OF THE MASTER EMERALD TO RESURRECT A WATER DEMON! SO WHAT NOW?
WE WARN THE HIDDEN CITY OF THEIR APPROACH? LET'S GO!


NO ONE HAS SEEN THE POWER THIS VESSEL HAS! IT CAN TRANSFORM INTO A GIANT DRILL!
WAIT'LL THEY GET A LOAD OF THIS!
I'LL HEAD RIGHT THROUGH THE MOUNTAIN TOWARD THE HIDDEN CITY!
IF WE'RE TO CONTINUE WE NEED TO CHANGE THIS SHIP BACK TO ITS ORIGINAL SHAPE!
THERE MUST BE A SWITCH ON THIS BRIDGE! I'VE GOTTA FIND IT NOW! AH-HA! DID IT!
EMERGENCY ALERT HAS BEEN CANCELED. RESUMING MONORAIL OPERATION.
WAY TO GO, SONIC!
ALWAYS WITH THE FLOW, BUD!
NOW, LET'S--
OH, WONDERFUL!

THIS IS ALL I REALLY NEED! BE GONE--BOTH OF YOU!
GAMMA!
HOW CAN I SERVE YOU, DOCTOR ROBOTNIK?
GET RID OF THESE PESTS! SHOW THEM WHAT YOU'VE GOT!
AYE, AYE, SIR! I WILL COMPLY.
DON'T DISAPPOINT ME... OR ELSE!

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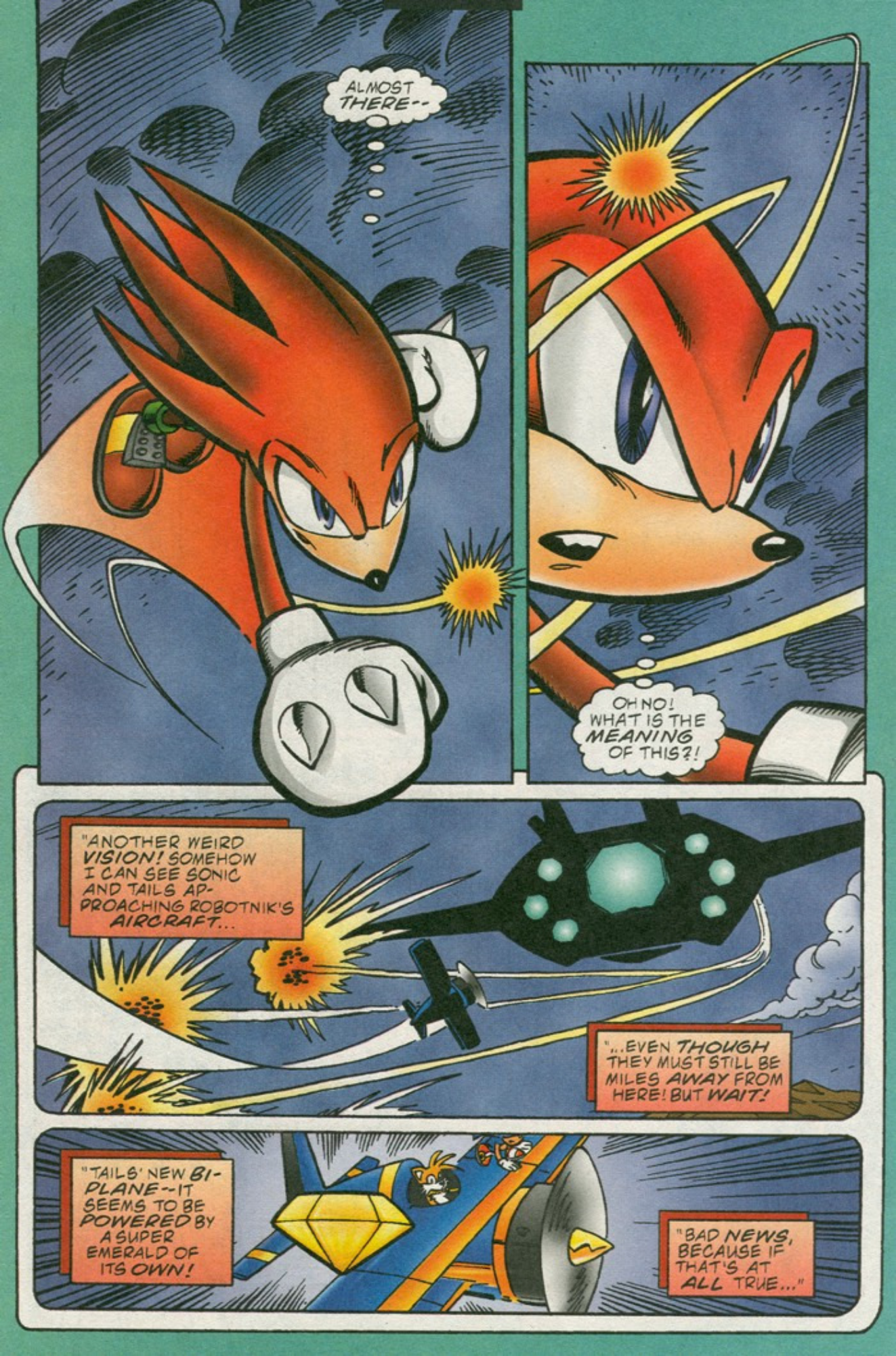
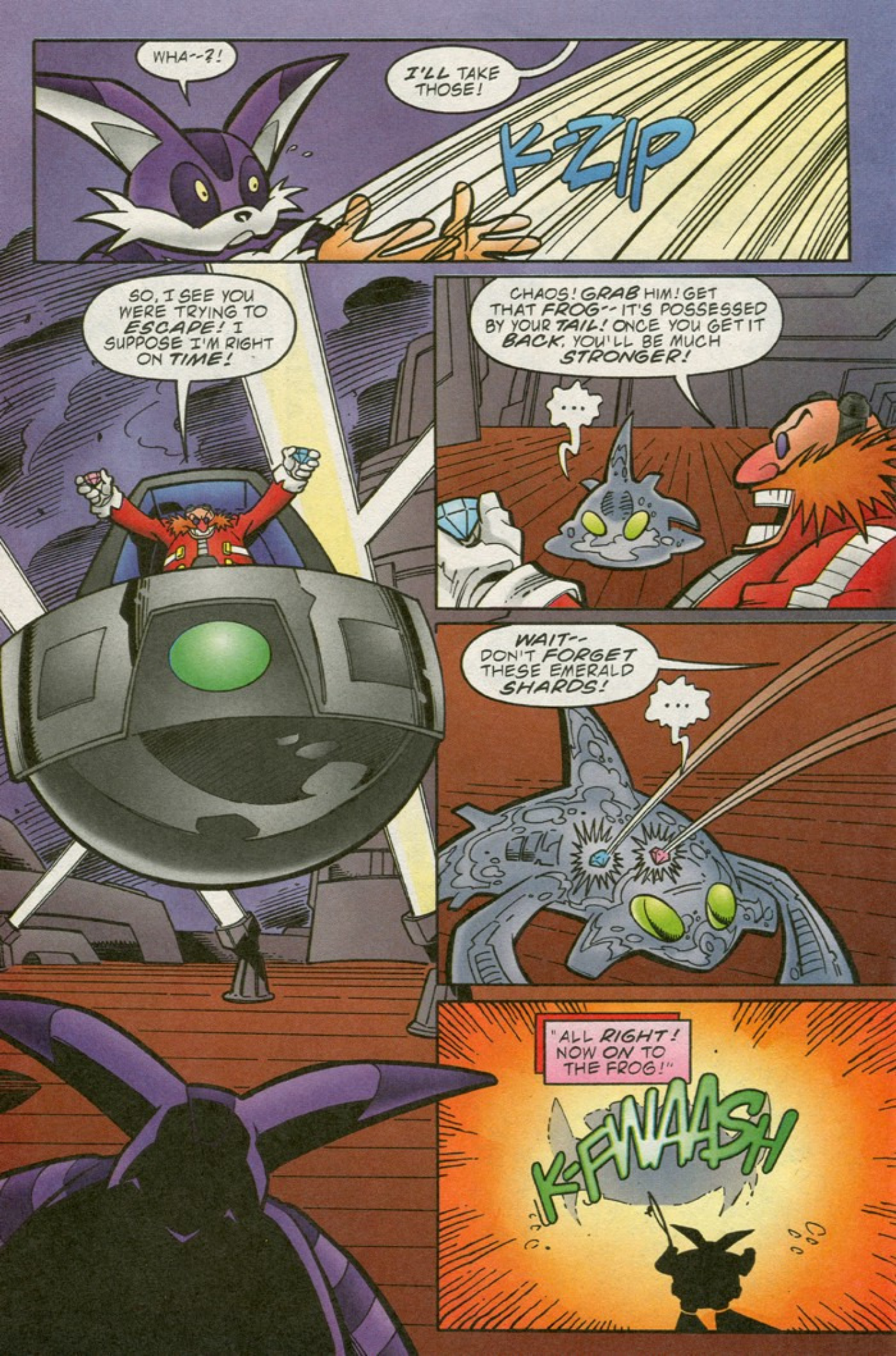
CHAPTER 5
HO!HO!HO!HO!HO!
WHEEOOOOSHH
WHOA!
FOOM
DITTO!
"LOCKING ON TARGET 'A'--"
"RECHARGING WEAPONS ARRAY--
--AND FIRING!


ALMOST THERE--
OH NO! WHAT IS THE MEANING OF THIS?!
"ANOTHER WEIRD VISION! SOMEHOW I CAN SEE SONIC AND TAILS APPROACHING ROBOTNIK'S AIRCRAFT...
"...EVEN THOUGH THEY MUST STILL BE MILES AWAY FROM HERE! BUT WAIT!
"TAILS' NEW BI-PLANE--IT SEEMS TO BE POWERED BY A SUPER EMERALD OF ITS OWN!
"BAD NEWS, BECAUSE IF THAT'S AT ALL TRUE..."

"...THEN MY HOMIES FROM KNOTHOLE ARE MAKING A SPECIAL DELIVERY DIRECTLY TO CHAOS WITHOUT EVEN KNOWING IT!
"I STILL CAN'T FIGURE OUT THAT CREEPY MONSTER!
"IS THIS A DREAM? MORE LIKE A NIGHTMARE!"
I'VE GOTTA MAKE SURE IT DOESN'T BECOME A REALITY!
HUH?!
SUDDENLY I'M ABOARD EGGMAN'S FLYING FORTRESS, BUT HOW?
DOESN'T MATTER! WEIRDER THINGS HAVE HAPPENED...
...AND I BET MORE STRANGENESS IS ABOUT TO GO DOWN!

ON THE OTHER SIDE OF THE EGG CARRIER...
LOOK OUT, SONIC!
SHRAK-T
DON'T SWEAT IT, PARTNER--
KKKRRSSH
--OL' GAMMA HAS GIVEN ME EXACTLY WHAT I NEED!
RIGHT BACK AT YA, BATTERY-BREATH!
SH-KOW
HASTA LA VISTA--
KLUNK
KLUNK
SPUTTER
STOP IT, SONIC!
AMY?!
THIS ROBOT IS MY FRIEND! HE HELPED ME!

ELSEWHERE ON THE CARRIER...
SURE HOPE IT DOESN'T RAIN!
AT LEAST NOT BEFORE I FIND...
RIBBIT! RIBBIT!
FROGGY? AHH... THERE YOU ARE!
RIBBIT!
YES! WE'RE TOGETHER AGAIN AT LAST, HEH? BUT I DON'T LIKE THE LOOKS OF THIS PLACE!
IF SOMETHING HAPPENS NOW, THERE'S NO POINT TO MY RESCUING YOU! I DON'T KNOW WHO'D BOTHER TO SAVE US BOTH!
KAFF
HUH? THAT'S STRANGE...
THIS SHINY ROCK YOU SUDDENLY COUGHED UP...
...LOOKS JUST LIKE THIS OTHER ONE THAT I FOUND ON THE WAY HERE!


WHA--?!
I'LL TAKE THOSE!
K-ZIP
SO, I SEE YOU WERE TRYING TO ESCAPE! I SUPPOSE I'M RIGHT ON TIME!
CHAOS! GRAB HIM! GET THAT FROG-- IT'S POSSESSED BY YOUR TAIL! ONCE YOU GET IT BACK, YOU'LL BE MUCH STRONGER!
WAIT-- DON'T FORGET THESE EMERALD SHARDS!
"ALL RIGHT! NOW ON TO THE FROG!"
K-FWAASH

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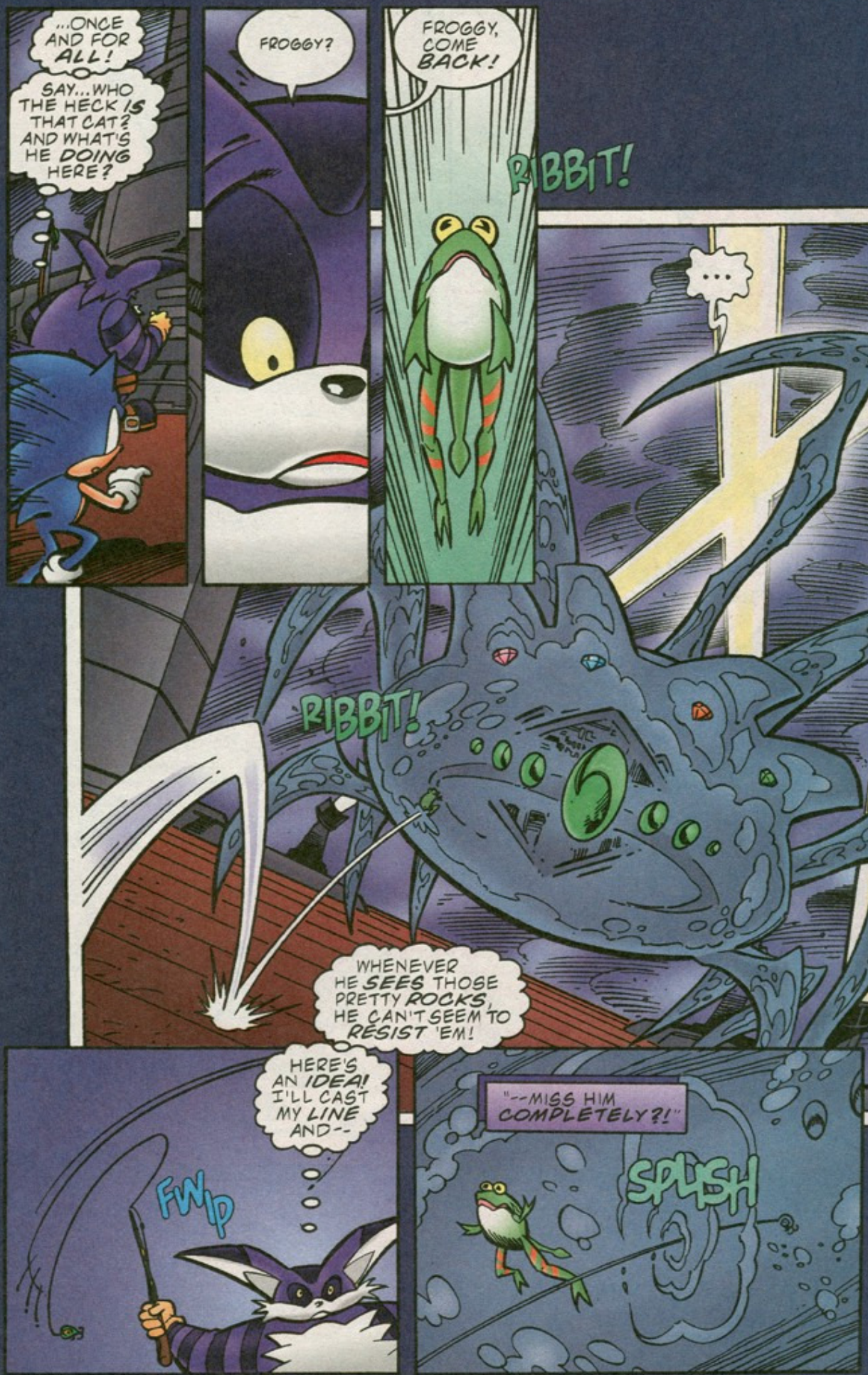
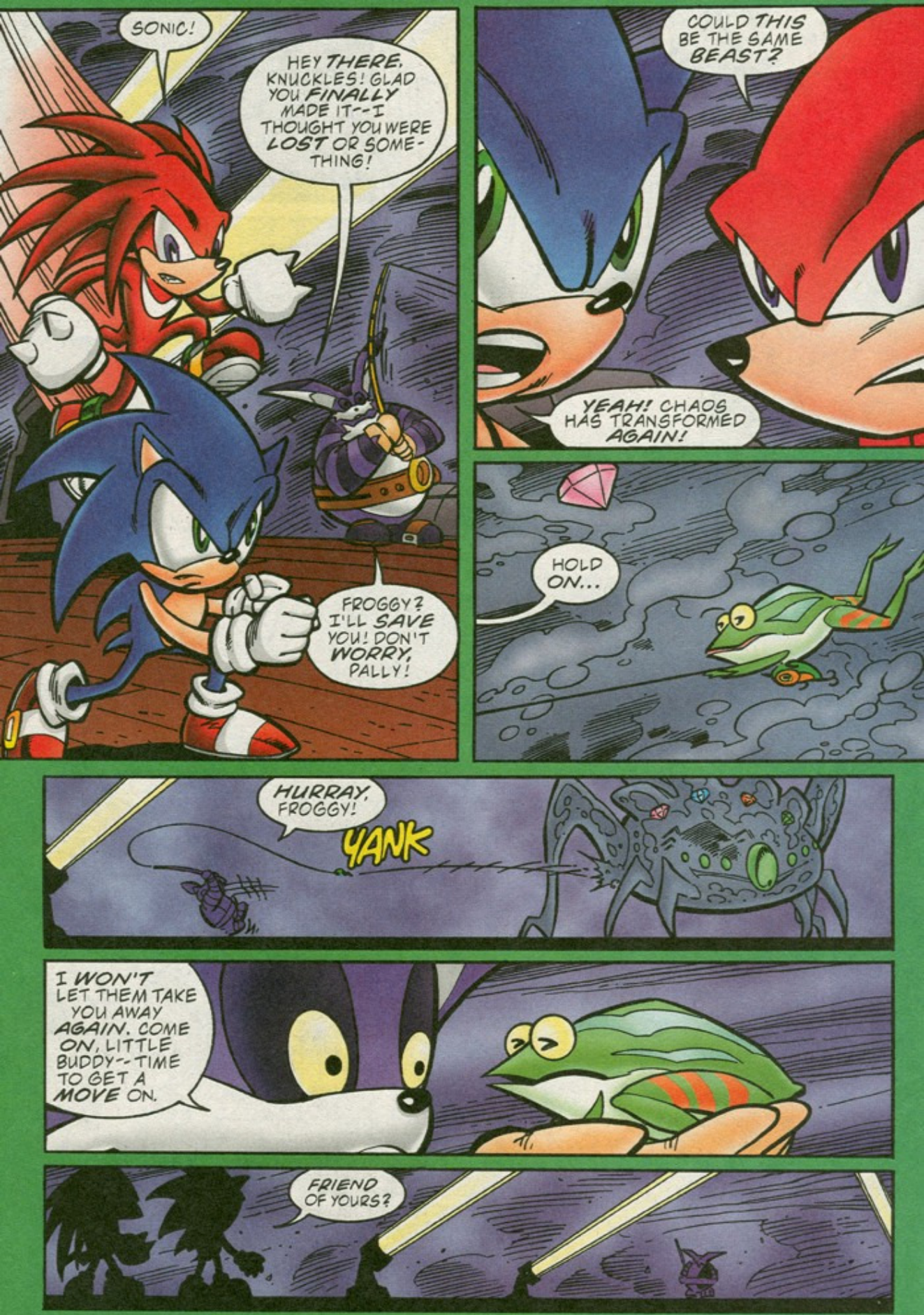
CHAPTER 6
HEY, SHIP IS LOSING ALTITUDE!
HURRY, TAILS! TAKE AMY AND GET OUT OF HERE!
BUT WHAT ABOUT YOU?
I'LL FIND THE EGGMAN AND PUT HIM OUT OF COMMISSION!
GOOD-BYE... FRIEND.
UNTIL WE MEET AGAIN, MISTER ROBOT. TAKE CARE OF YOURSELF!
MOVE IT, AMY...
...WHILE I END THIS...


...ONCE AND FOR ALL!
SAY... WHO THE HECK IS THAT CAT? AND WHAT'S HE DOING HERE?
FROGGY?
FROGGY, COME BACK!
RIBBIT!
...
RIBBIT!
WHENEVER HE SEES THOSE PRETTY ROCKS, HE CAN'T SEEM TO RESIST 'EM!
HERE'S AN IDEA! I'LL CAST MY LINE AND--
FWIP
"--MISS HIM COMPLETELY?!"
SPLISH


SONIC!
HEY THERE, KNUCKLES! GLAD YOU FINALLY MADE IT--I THOUGHT YOU WERE LOST OR SOMETHING!
FROGGY? I'LL SAVE YOU! DON'T WORRY, PALLY!
COULD THIS BE THE SAME BEAST?
YEAH! CHAOS HAS TRANSFORMED AGAIN!
HOLD ON...
HURRAY, FROGGY!
YANK
I WON'T LET THEM TAKE YOU AWAY AGAIN. COME ON, LITTLE BUDDY--TIME TO GET A MOVE ON.
FRIEND OF YOURS?

HO! HO! HO!
EXCELLENT, CHAOS! I'M QUITE IMPRESSED WITH YOUR CURRENT INCARNATION!
ZIP
ZIP
TEK
YOU WON'T GET AWAY WITH THIS, YOU MADMAN!
"BUT I WILL! EVEN THOUGH HE'S NOT PERFECTED YET, YOU'RE NO MATCH FOR CHAOS!
"...OR MY ICE-BOTS!
DARN! WE'RE FROZEN IN PLACE!
"NOW DESTROY THEM BOTH!"

CAN'T MOVE... AND... CHAOS... IS TRYING TO... EAT... ME... LIKE... AN... ECHIDNA POP!
I DON'T THINK SO, YA LOUSY 'DROID!
LOOKS LIKE CHAOS IS HAVING TROUBLE ABSORBING THE PART OF KNUX THAT'S FROZEN...
...BUT IT'S TOTALLY...
...WILLING TO SETTLE FOR THE REST OF HIM!
THAT GIVES ME...
SMASH

...AN IDEA!
KER-SPLOOSH
KRACKLE
"I FORCE FED CHAOS THE EGGMAN'S ICE-BOTS INSTEAD AND IT FROZE THROUGH AND THROUGH!
HUH?! IT LET GO OF ME!
WHAT... HAPPENED?
GOOD! NOW, WHILE CHAOS IS ON THE ROPES, I SAY WE FREE OUR-SELVES--
KRUNCH
KRUNCH KRUNCH KRUNCH
--AND BREAK IT DOWN!
SMASH

NO WAY! I CAN'T BELIEVE THIS! THE CHAIN REACTION FROM CHAOS' DEMISE IS DE-STROYING MY EGG CARRIER!
POOM
POOM
POOM
I WILL RETURN! SO, UNTIL WE MEET AGAIN, FOOLS!
WHAT NOW, SONIC?
HOLY HECK!
I DON'T KNOW HIS NAME, BUT THAT BIG CAT JUST COLD TOOK THE 'TORNADO!'
DOESN'T MATTER--HANG ON!
WOW! THAT WAS TOO CLOSE FOR THE OL' COMFORT!
THIS WAY! TAILS FLEW AMY BACK TO THE HIDDEN CITY, SO WE CAN JUICE WITH HIS BI-PL--

SO MUCH FOR THE EGGMAN'S PLAN!
YESSS! AND HIS CRUMMY EGGSHIP! BURN, BABY, BURN!
BA-ROOM
THUS KNUCKLES RETURNS TO THE MYSTIC RUINS IN SEARCH OF REMAINING SHARDS...
...AND SONIC SPEEDS BACK TO THE HIDDEN CITY OF THE ANCIENTS...
SO LONG, BUB!
LATER, GEE!
...WHERE THE OTHER FREEDOM FIGHTERS ARE ALREADY RE-JOICING AT AMY'S SAFE RETURN.
WHAT ABOUT BIG? WELL, HE'S NO PILOT, THAT'S FOR SURE! BUT HE'S SAFE AGAIN WITH FROGGY.
AND THE EGGMAN? DOCTOR ROBOTNIK? THE DASTARDLY VILLAIN OF THIS PIECE? HE'S DEFINITELY ESCAPED--
--BUT WHAT'S THAT BLUE OOZE ON THE SIDE OF HIS CRAFT?
LEARN THE EXCITING ANSWER IN SONIC THE HEDGEHOG # 83!

SONIC-GRAMS SPECIAL

OFF PANEL **By Gallagher, Manak**

LET'S GO, SONIC! YOUR FANS ARE WAITING TO SEE ACTION! ADVENTURE!
HERE WE GO!
UP AND AT 'EM!
SONIC...YOU CAN'T JUST SIT THERE PLAYING WITH THE NEW DREAMCAST SYSTEM... I KNOW THE GRAPHICS ARE PHENOMENAL BUT...
OH YEAH... LOOK AT THAT 3-D!!!
OH WOW!
OKAY, OKAY! SCOOT OVER AND RESET FOR TWO PLAYERS!
DUDE!

The Further Adventures...

Hey, fans-- regular SONIC writer Karl Bollers filling in for Justin F. Gabrie here. If you're reading this guest editorial, it probably means you just finished the latest installment in Archie Comics' adaptation of Sega Dreamcast's "Sonic Adventure" videogame-- a tale so epic, it spans the course of SONIC issues #79-85 plus this 48-page SPECIAL-- making it the longest multi-part story in SONIC history. And although the other creators and I managed to cover much of the events that occur in the actual game, we just had to admit to ourselves that the game was so mind-blowingly expansive that every story detail couldn't be squeezed in without devoting even more issues to it. If you're lucky enough to play the game, you'll experience several action sequences that don't occur in the comics. See Tails as he tries to stop Doctor Robotnik from detonating a bomb deep in the heart of Station Square! Witness while Amy Rose seeks out the feathered family of her new Flicky bird friend! Watch as E-102 pays the ultimate price after a desperate attempt at freeing the other E-100 series robots from the Eggman's control! Find out why Tails' 'Tornado' changed color from red to blue during the course of this very issue! Well? Go check it out!

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Footnote References:

"Sonic Adventure"—

1) In SONIC THE HEDGEHOG #78. 2) In SONIC #79. 3) In SONIC #80. 4) Spiny anteater. 5) Also in SONIC #79. 6) See "Swallowing Trouble" in #80. 7) In SONIC #81. 8) See "A Rose Plucked" in #81. 9-10) See "Door To The Past" in SONIC #82 11-12) See "Night of Chaos" in SONIC #82 13) STH #81. 14) "Overlanders" are the human inhabitants of Mobius. 15) Water

COMING ATTRACTIONS

In Two Weeks: If you thought that THE OFFICIAL GAME ADAPTATION of the new SEGA DREAMCAST'S "SONIC ADVENTURE" was over, think again! Chaos makes a watery comeback and it's up to Sonic, Knuckles, Tails, Amy Rose, and the entire gang to stop it from destroying the Hidden City of the Ancients! You don't want to miss this splashy mini-epic by Bollers, Butler, and Eklund! All in the next action-packed issue of SONIC THE HEDGEHOG!

SONIC THE HEDGEHOG #83 on sale early April 2000!

Re: SONIC SUPER SPECIAL #10, "Crossover Chaos," which guest-starred Sabrina the Teenage Witch and also introduced readers to the world of SONIC UNDERGROUND (based on the latest cartoon to feature everybody's favorite fleet-footed hedgehog):

Dear Sonic-Grams,

Let me say that your comics rock! I really liked SONIC SUPER SPECIAL #10. My favorite part was the Sabrina the Teenage Witch crossover. I have a few questions. 1) What is Sally's mother's name? 2) Is St. John one of the Freedom Fighters? 3) How did Evil Sonic get all the other Sonics to put together Giant-Borg? Let me know.

Eric Zaworski (age 9)
Ontario, CAN

Glad you liked our crossover, Eric. 1) Sally's mom is Queen Alicia. 2) St. John is the leader of King Max's Secret Service, but Evil St. John (from Evil Sonic's zone) is leader of the Evil Freedom Fighters. 3) He impersonated the real Sonic.

Yo Sonic,

I got SONIC SUPER SPECIAL #10, and it was G-R-E-A-T! I liked how you beat that Giant-Borg thingy for the second time. I was wondering what kind of animal is Sally? A chipmunk or a squirrel? I can't wait to see the next SUPER SPECIAL. I bet it will be super! Keep up the super work!

Jodi "Nightwolf" Shockley
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Sally is part squirrel/part chipmunk, "Nightwolf", and if you picked up SONIC SUPER SPECIAL #11, by now you know that it was absolutely...well, super!

Dear Sonic,

I just got SONIC SUPER SPECIAL #10, "Crossover Chaos." It was the best SONIC ever. It was awesome seeing Sabrina the Teenage Witch and Salem the Cat make an appearance. It was way cool having a human villain. But the best part of the comic was "Zone Wars: A Tale of Two Hedgehogs." It was weird to see that Evil Antoine is brave (but I have to admit that the good version of Antoine is a little brave). I think it was total genius putting Sonic, Sonia, Manic, and their reality in the comic. They've become my favorite characters out of all the Sonic and Knuckles comics, so could you please bring them back? I like them a lot!!

Jason Hall (age 11)
Saskatchewan, CANADA

There aren't any immediate plans to feature the SONIC UNDERGROUND Sonic or his siblings here in the future, Jason, but check your local TV station listings for their cartoon. It's really way past cool!

Dear Sonic-Grams,

I just finished SONIC SUPER SPECIAL #10 and it was a blast! I loved "Zone Wars: A Tale of Two Hedgehogs", but I've got some questions about it: 1) Do Manic and Sonia have the speed of their bro? 2) Is "Sideways Man" Zone Cop Zonic another version of the blue blur? Thank you for making SONIC comics. They're the best thing that's happened to me.

Sango Imai-Hall
Lee, NH

We're really pleased as punch to hear that, Sango! Letters like yours are the best thing to happen to us! Now, for your questions: 1) Sonia and Manic don't possess Sonic's speed, but they *do* have a few talents of their own. 2) If you read SONIC SUPER SPECIAL #12, you know by now that Zonic is indeed a version of Sonic from a perpendicular zone.

Dear Sonic,

Hi, my name is Gary. I'm one of your biggest fans. I just finished reading SONIC SUPER SPECIAL #10. It was fantastic. I have a few questions for you: 1) What will happen to Lupe and the Wolf Pack? Are they going to stay on that island forever? 2) Will Evil Sonic get revenge? 3) Are you going to bring back your TV series? 4) When are Barby and Tails going to get back together?

Gary Williams
St. Petersburg, FL

1) Lupe and the Wolf Pack appeared in SONIC SUPER SPECIAL #11, Gary. 2) We'll bet that Evil Sonic is planning his revenge at this very moment. 3) Sonic's old TV series is in syndication in some places, but you'd have to check your local station listings, okay? 4) Most likely when Robo-Robotnik threatens to take over the continent of Downunda.

To All The People At Archie,

SONIC SUPER SPECIAL #10 was awesome in my opinion. I liked that Manic and Sonia made an appearance finally. I think it would be awesome if you did more with SONIC UNDERGROUND in the comic. That raises another question I want to bring up. Why are so many characters introduced into the comic all of the time? First Nate and Elias, and then that Zone Cop Zonic shows up and says he regulates the parallel dimensions from a perpendicular one! That sounds kinda cheesy to me and kinda silly that there are so many Sonics in different dimensions, but I'm just a silly 16-year old girl, so what would I know? As a fan, I sincerely ask that no more characters be introduced into the comic unless need be. With too many characters, you won't know what to do with them. True, it does broaden other areas to explore with the characters, but then what next? You have so many characters that it's confusing to us old and new SONIC fans and readers. I think that if the comic doesn't go as well as it should with all the changes, that you try SONIC UNDERGROUND. It's a new SONIC concept. He's a prince, has two cool siblings, plays in a rockin' band, and has a (unroboticized) mother on the run from Robotnik. It's basically like a mix between the weekday ADVENTURES OF SONIC THE HEDGEHOG and the ABC Saturday morning SONIC THE HEDGEHOG cartoons, and it's appealing to my eyes. Although even if the comic did go downhill, I'd still remain loyal. Maybe because I'm a true-blue, die-hard Sonic lover. That's all for my opinions at the moment. Thanks for listening.

Tamara "Sega Hedgehog" Lucas
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You raise an interesting point, Tamara. How many characters are *too* many, especially when fans have their personal favorites? We think if you look at Sonic and the Freedom Fighters (Princess Sally, Tails, Bunnie, Antoine, and Amy Rose) as the main players and view everyone else as a supporting (or "satellite") character in orbit around each of them, it becomes less confusing and more like real-life. For example, King Max, Prince Elias, and Queen Alicia revolve around Sally; Jules, Bernie, and Uncle Chuck revolve around Sonic himself.

Well, that's all for now. Thanks to everyone who took the time to drop us a line. So until next issue...

Keep it real!

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